

Crop Progress

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Note: These data are preliminary and will be released after 4:00 p.m. each Monday, except for holidays. See tomorrow's Weekly Weather and Crop Bulletin for final progress and condition estimates.

Soybeans: Percent Dropping Leaves, Selected States ¹

State	Week Ending			1998-2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	64	51	67	75
IL	96	92	98	98
IN	97	88	96	99
IA	100	97	99	98
KS	90	81	96	97
KY	99	96	94	91
LA	89	82	86	93
MI	98	93	100	95
MN	99	99	99	99
MS	96	91	95	97
MO	90	76	88	91
NE	98	93	98	99
NC	58	49	55	55
ND	100	100	100	100
OH	97	89	99	99
SD	100	100	100	100
TN	73	60	86	86
WI	99	94	96	95
18 Sts	95	89	95	96

¹ These 18 States planted 96% of last year's soybean acreage.

Soybeans: Percent Harvested, Selected States ¹

State	Week Ending			1998-2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	35	26	28	35
IL	64	38	61	60
IN	44	19	54	59
IA	84	56	58	67
KS	23	10	51	52
KY	26	13	26	37
LA	62	56	46	71
MI	44	11	52	39
MN	89	68	46	74
MS	82	75	54	69
MO	28	13	45	41
NE	70	32	51	62
NC	3	2	7	8
ND	87	60	66	73
OH	46	16	55	63
SD	78	47	44	56
TN	20	15	23	29
WI	54	23	34	42
18 Sts	60	37	50	58

¹ These 18 States harvested 96% of last year's soybean acreage.

**Corn: Percent Mature,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	99	93	94	95
IL	98	95	98	99
IN	91	78	91	97
IA	100	97	100	99
KS	99	99	99	99
KY	99	96	100	100
MI	87	63	94	90
MN	99	99	97	97
MO	99	97	100	100
NE	94	85	96	98
NC	100	100	100	100
ND	100	98	96	98
OH	77	62	85	92
PA	58	44	87	75
SD	99	94	96	96
TN	100	100	100	100
TX	99	98	100	100
WI	92	85	88	88
18 Sts	95	90	96	97

¹ These 18 States planted 92% of last year's corn acreage.

**Corn: Percent Harvested,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	29	18	19	27
IL	47	32	48	56
IN	24	13	30	40
IA	31	17	20	35
KS	80	71	80	76
KY	78	65	86	88
MI	8	5	25	24
MN	38	19	16	32
MO	75	69	84	75
NE	30	18	29	43
NC	94	91	70	83
ND	32	17	18	24
OH	13	6	21	25
PA	24	10	52	32
SD	32	18	24	29
TN	93	89	94	95
TX	90	85	90	92
WI	20	13	13	21
18 Sts	39	27	36	44

¹ These 18 States harvested 94% of last year's corn acreage.

**Cotton: Percent Bolls Opening,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	94	91	97	95
AZ	99	99	100	99
AR	91	87	98	98
CA	94	85	94	93
GA	90	85	94	90
LA	99	98	99	100
MS	98	93	97	99
MO	87	82	98	99
NC	89	82	97	94
OK	95	90	93	94
SC	74	66	83	89
TN	89	83	99	99
TX	71	62	89	90
VA	72	61	96	89
14 Sts	83	76	93	93

¹ These 14 States planted 98% of last year's cotton acreage.

**Cotton: Percent Harvested,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	24	11	28	41
AZ	15	11	29	24
AR	35	22	25	50
CA	7	5	22	12
GA	22	15	29	26
LA	70	60	45	74
MS	61	45	30	63
MO	27	12	38	55
NC	7	2	24	19
OK	17	10	24	34
SC	11	5	24	29
TN	24	12	25	55
TX	25	23	30	37
VA	4	1	37	27
14 Sts	28	21	29	39

¹ These 14 States harvested 98% of last year's cotton acreage.

**Winter Wheat: Percent Planted,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	21	12	10	11
CA	9	5	9	8
CO	98	95	95	95
ID	87	66	85	76
IL	34	13	60	41
IN	38	12	46	44
KS	78	62	78	73
MI	57	38	71	63
MO	36	14	38	32
MT	92	80	92	82
NE	96	93	95	96
NC	20	10	15	18
OH	43	12	67	63
OK	78	70	77	65
OR	51	46	27	41
SD	93	84	91	89
TX	76	68	68	63
WA	92	76	92	90
18 Sts	74	63	73	68

¹ These 18 States planted 90% of last year's winter wheat acreage.

**Winter Wheat: Percent Emerged,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	7	4	4	3
CA	2	1	4	2
CO	73	52	71	75
ID	34	23	36	32
IL	6	2	19	11
IN	8	3	20	15
KS	50	25	52	44
MI	16	10	31	27
MO	14	2	15	12
MT	32	10	67	48
NE	82	71	81	79
NC	4	1	9	6
OH	3	0	29	19
OK	62	47	59	36
OR	23	16	7	21
SD	50	33	64	65
TX	50	35	48	36
WA	69	40	71	72
18 Sts	48	31	50	42

¹ These 18 States planted 90% of last year's winter wheat acreage.

**Rice: Percent Harvested,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	93	86	87	93
CA	60	40	79	68
LA	99	97	98	99
MS	94	85	82	91
MO	84	68	73	79
TX	100	99	100	100
6 Sts	89	80	87	89

¹ These 6 States harvested 100% of last year's rice acreage.

**Peanuts: Percent Harvested,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	73	64	54	57
FL	80	65	68	69
GA	60	45	52	57
NC	28	10	44	38
OK	25	20	46	39
TX	9	6	16	27
VA	30	21	59	65
7 Sts	47	36	45	49

¹ These 7 States harvested 98% of last year's peanut acreage.

**Sorghum: Percent Coloring,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	100	100	91	97
IL	98	94	100	99
KS	95	94	97	99
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	99	98	100	100
NE	100	98	100	100
NM	96	85	99	97
OK	95	93	90	96
SD	100	100	100	100
TX	85	80	97	99
11 Sts	92	90	97	99

¹ These 11 States planted 97% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Sorghum: Percent Mature,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	100	100	100	100
CO	90	74	65	73
IL	93	67	98	93
KS	64	61	80	92
LA	100	100	100	100
MO	86	79	96	95
NE	96	67	95	95
NM	46	27	53	54
OK	80	73	84	82
SD	98	90	85	91
TX	67	65	88	91
11 Sts	71	66	84	90

¹ These 11 States planted 97% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Sorghum: Percent Harvested,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	98	93	96	98
CO	30	19	25	23
IL	13	7	57	52
KS	26	25	39	53
LA	100	99	95	99
MO	57	47	73	67
NE	34	13	40	41
NM	6	3	7	10
OK	44	36	65	47
SD	68	38	27	41
TX	61	60	72	79
11 Sts	45	42	56	63

¹ These 11 States harvested 97% of last year's sorghum acreage.

**Sugarbeets: Percent Harvested,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
ID	20	12	16	24
MI	6	5	12	30
MN	72	54	72	72
ND	77	59	86	80
4 Sts	53	40	55	58

¹ These 4 States harvested 82% of last year's sugarbeets acreage.

**Sunflowers: Percent Harvested,
Selected States ¹**

State	Week Ending			1998- 2002 Avg.
	Oct 12, 2003	Oct 5, 2003	Oct 12, 2002	
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	25	18	21	16
KS	35	27	30	49
ND	32	11	13	19
SD	50	32	32	39
4 Sts	36	17	19	26

¹ These 4 States harvested 91% of last year's sunflowers acreage.

**Corn: Crop Condition
by Percent, Selected States**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
CO	6	10	24	46	14
IL	2	6	24	52	16
IN	5	9	25	45	16
IA	6	15	36	36	7
KS	20	25	34	18	3
KY	1	4	21	37	37
MI	2	8	32	47	11
MN	6	15	39	35	5
MO	23	24	29	19	5
NE	14	13	22	33	18
NC	1	5	29	45	20
ND	4	16	34	42	4
OH	2	5	19	51	23
PA	4	5	17	48	26
SD	6	12	24	41	17
TN	2	3	15	56	24
TX	17	19	32	28	4
WI	9	20	39	30	2
18 Sts	7	13	29	39	12
Prev Wk	8	13	29	38	12
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Soybeans: Crop Condition
by Percent, Selected States**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	2	7	25	43	23
IL	5	12	37	40	6
IN	7	14	34	39	6
IA	14	30	40	15	1
KS	19	33	36	11	1
KY	0	2	15	48	35
LA	4	11	24	54	7
MI	5	17	42	31	5
MN	10	25	45	19	1
MS	0	2	17	46	35
MO	18	27	33	18	4
NE	14	24	33	23	6
NC	2	5	36	51	6
ND	5	12	37	43	3
OH	4	9	30	44	13
SD	7	13	33	38	9
TN	0	1	10	53	36
WI	17	32	37	12	2
18 Sts	9	18	35	31	7
Prev Wk	9	18	35	31	7
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Cotton: Crop Condition
by Percent, Selected States**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	2	5	31	53	9
AZ	1	11	25	20	43
AR	1	6	24	47	22
CA	0	0	15	55	30
GA	1	6	27	51	15
LA	0	1	15	56	28
MS	4	6	13	47	30
MO	2	7	37	46	8
NC	4	5	57	33	1
OK	8	13	47	26	6
SC	0	3	27	66	4
TN	0	3	18	60	19
TX	18	21	37	18	6
VA	1	4	21	50	24
14 Sts	8	12	31	36	13
Prev Wk	8	13	29	37	13
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Sorghum: Crop Condition
by Percent, Selected States**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AR	0	4	22	54	20
CO	11	36	40	10	3
IL	1	19	38	35	7
KS	24	35	29	11	1
LA	0	2	34	59	5
MO	6	22	41	27	4
NE	23	32	34	11	0
NM	19	46	26	7	2
OK	4	29	38	28	1
SD	34	16	24	23	3
TX	10	24	34	27	5
11 Sts	16	29	32	20	3
Prev Wk	16	30	31	20	3
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

VP-Very Poor, P-Poor, F-Fair, G-Good, EX-Excellent.

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2002 planted acres.

**Peanuts: Crop Condition
by Percent, Selected States**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	2	4	22	56	16
FL	1	1	18	55	25
GA	0	2	22	57	19
NC	1	1	36	58	4
OK	0	7	41	47	5
TX	1	3	27	46	23
VA	0	1	22	50	27
7 Sts	1	3	25	52	19
Prev Wk	1	3	24	54	18
Prev Yr	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Pasture and Range: Crop Condition by Percent,
Selected States**

State	VP	P	F	G	EX	State	VP	P	F	G	EX
	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>		<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AL	3	8	37	49	3	NJ	0	0	45	55	0
AZ	20	23	24	22	11	NM	48	31	20	1	0
AR	0	9	35	50	6	NY	0	5	20	58	17
CA	40	50	10	0	0	NC	0	3	21	72	4
CO	10	28	40	22	0	ND	21	39	28	12	0
CT	0	0	42	50	8	OH	2	5	19	57	17
DE	0	4	12	70	14	OK	5	17	39	33	6
FL	0	5	30	60	5	OR	20	37	42	1	0
GA	2	10	39	45	4	PA	2	8	14	62	14
ID	11	49	36	4	0	RI	0	0	4	87	9
IL	4	13	38	39	6	SC	0	12	22	61	5
IN	2	8	26	58	6	SD	22	34	29	14	1
IA	31	31	26	11	1	TN	0	6	21	58	15
KS	25	30	33	11	1	TX	8	17	31	34	10
KY	2	4	21	61	12	UT	9	24	41	26	0
LA	1	8	47	41	3	VT	0	18	66	16	0
ME	0	11	20	45	24	VA	1	3	17	57	22
MD	2	6	18	50	24	WA	9	34	46	11	0
MA	0	3	12	85	0	WV	0	1	26	53	20
MI	8	26	43	22	1	WI	24	28	32	16	0
MN	22	33	32	13	0	WY	11	23	44	21	1
MS	2	13	35	45	5						
MO	6	17	41	32	4	48 Sts	14	22	30	29	5
MT	40	33	21	6	0						
NE	35	29	26	10	0	Prev Wk	14	22	30	28	6
NV	12	42	33	13	0	Prev Yr	22	22	30	23	3
NH	0	2	20	29	49						

VP-Very Poor, P-Poor, F-Fair, G-Good, EX-Excellent.

National crop conditions for selected States are weighted based on 2002 planted acres.

Crop Progress and Condition Survey and Estimating Procedures

Survey Procedures: Crop progress and condition estimates are based on survey data that are collected each week from early April to the end of November. The Crop progress and condition surveys are non-probability surveys that include a sample of more than 5,000 reporters whose occupations provide them opportunities to make visual observations and frequently bring them in contact with farmers in their counties. Based on standard definitions, these reporters subjectively estimate progress of farmers' activities and progress of crops through their stages of development. They also provide subjective evaluations of crop conditions.

Most reporters complete their questionnaire on Friday or early Monday morning and submit it to the Agricultural Statistics Service's office in their State by mail, telephone, fax, e-mail, or through a secured internet website. A small number of reports are completed on Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday. Regardless of the time that the questionnaire is completed, reporters are asked to report for the week ending on Sunday. For reports submitted prior to the Sunday reference date, a degree of uncertainty is introduced into the projections for weekend progress and crop condition changes. By the end of the 2001 season, nearly two-thirds of the data were being submitted through the internet website. As a result, about one-half of all data are submitted on Monday morning, which has significantly reduced this projection uncertainty.

Reporters are sent written reporting instructions at the beginning of each season and are contacted periodically to ensure proper reporting. Terms and definitions of crop stages and condition categories that are used as reporting guidelines are available on the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) website at: www.usda.gov/nass/pubs/cwterms.htm.

Estimating Procedures: Reported data are reviewed for reasonableness and consistency by comparing with data reported the previous week and data reported in surrounding counties for the current week. Each State Statistical Office summarizes the reported data to district and State levels, weighting each county's reported data by NASS county acreage estimates. Summarized indications are compared with previous week estimates, and progress items are compared with earlier stages of development and historical averages to ensure reasonableness. Weather events and reporter comments are also taken into consideration. State estimates are submitted to the Agricultural Statistics Board (ASB) along with supporting comments, where they are compared with surrounding States and compiled into a National level summary by weighting each State by its acreage estimates.

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The next "*Crop Progress*" report will be released after 4 p.m. ET on October 20, 2003.

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